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**Fire Department Presents Annual Awards**

*Capt. Brown named Officer of the Year and Pynes named Firefighter of the Year*

Wylie, TX – The City of Wylie Fire Department presented its year-end awards at its Annual Banquet held January 25, 2007, at Woodbridge Golf Club. The Fire Department award recipients were:

<b>Officer of the Year</b>	Captain James Brown
<b>Firefighter of the Year</b>	Jeff Pynes
<b>Rookie of the Year</b>	Patrick Hewitt
<b>Paramedic of the Year</b>	Jimmy Johnston
<b>PT Firefighter of the Year</b>	Mark Slaviero
<b>EMS Provider of the Year</b>	Tim Wehmer
<b>Administrative Service Award</b>	Captain Robert Ballard
<b>Crew of the Year</b>	Fire Station One – A Shift (Captain Brandon Blythe, Clayton Jones, Brian Moriarty, Jason Sherard, Katy Willoughby, Cory Claborn)
<b>Explorer of the Year</b>	Garrett Jackson
<b>Dispatcher of the Year</b>	Albert Allen
<b>Turtle Award</b>	Clayton Jones
<b>Special Recognition</b>	Alicia White

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Founded in 1886, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall Counties. Wylie (population 33,000) is one of the fastest growing communities in the State of Texas with a 118% increase since 2000. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO rating #1, and an expanding business climate, Wylie is the ideal place for residents looking for a small town environment with easy access to big city amenities.